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For: LENS DRIVE DEVICE & LENS DEVICE CAPABLE OF SETTING  
AN OPTIMUM BRAKING CHARACTERISTIC

REPLY UNDER RULE 1.111

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 30, 2003

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the Request For Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 1 with the following amended claim:  
Please note that claim 1 is presented below in its amended form.  
Claim 1 is further presented as an Attachment to the Amendment whereby the amendment to claim 1 is outlined using the conventional method of bracketing and underlining.

1. (Twice Amended) A lens drive device to be detachably mounted to a lens device body, the detachable lens drive device comprising:

a motor;

a storage device which stores information prescribing a braking characteristic of a moving object driven by the motor;

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